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OBSCURING INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFICATION CODES AND RELATED
ASSEMBLY

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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.111

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2003.

A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) is enclosed along with a check in the amount of \$210.00 for the fee.

Please cancel claims 1-5 and 11-17, amend claims 6 and 10, and add claims 36-42 as set forth below. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.